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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **TAKEUCHI, Kiyofumi et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1756**

Serial No.: **09/787,614**

Examiner: **WU**

Filed: **March 20, 2001**

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FOR: **NEMATIC LIQUID CRYSTAL COMPOSITION AND LIQUID CRYSTAL
DISPLAY DEVICE USING THE SAME**

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 3, 2003

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated **December 4, 2002**.

In the Action, an election of one of the following species is required: Group (I), Claims 1-4 and 13-18; Group (II), Claims 1 and 5-8; and Group (III), Claims 1 and 9-12.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 1-4 and 13-18 drawn to the composition comprising at least one compound of formulas (I-1) to (I-5) for prosecution in this application.

This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the Examiner will consider the other species upon allowance of a generic claim.

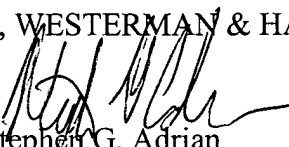
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Attachment: Petition for Extension of Time

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